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As a below-named Inventors, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole Inventor or original, first and joint Inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention titled "Switching System", the specification of which:

XXX is attached hereto
_____ was filed on _____ as Application Serial No. _____;
or,
_____ was amended on _____.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information of which I am aware is material to the examination of the application in accordance with 37 CFR §1.56(a).

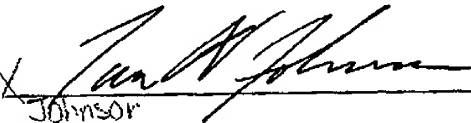
I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 USC §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or Inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or Inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed: GB 0013571.5 filed June 6, 2000

Prior Foreign Application(s): _____

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